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SYSTEM FOR INLINE STRIPPING OF SOIL CONTAMINANTS.

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

was filed on **March 12, 2002** as United States Application No. 10/097,098 or PCT International Application No. and was amended on (if applicable).

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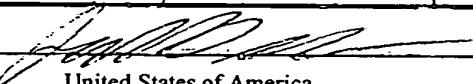
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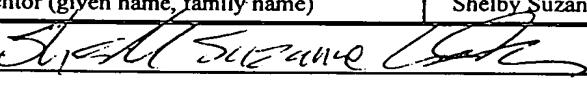
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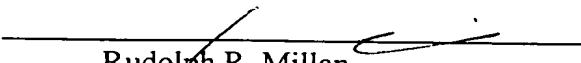
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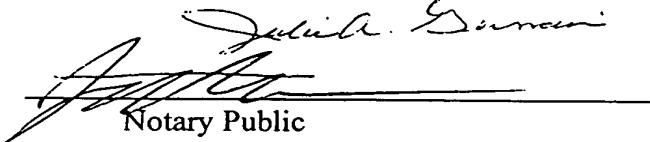
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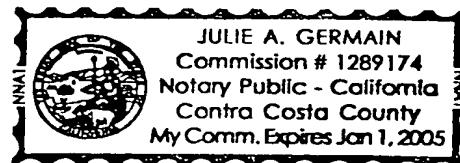


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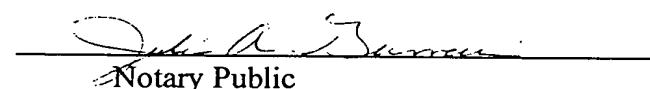
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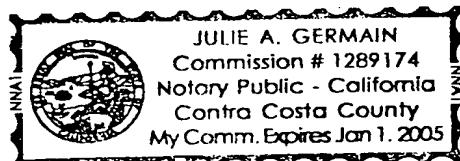


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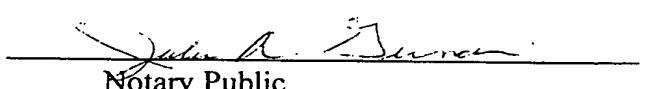
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